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1. The largest antimony mine in Yugoslavia is located 12 kilometers from Loznica at Zajaca, on the banks of the Stira River. The ore is transported from the mine by truck, wagonettes (sic), or horse carts to the flotation building, which is located on a hill about fifteen meters above the foundry. In the flotation building the ore is selected and washed by means of water pumped from the Stira River and then passes down to the foundry via a wooden canal one meter wide. The foundry has three processing sections and a fourth section containing a furnace where the mineral is smelted, thereby producing antimony metal. The entire factory is surrounded by a wire fence. The Industrial Militia is charged with the security of the plant. Before the Tito-Cominform break the entire output of the foundry was exported to the Soviet Union, but is now reportedly sent to Western Europe. The quality of the antimony is considered to be very good.
2. Engineer Zalotar is the director of the foundry, which employs some 200 workers. The main Directorate for Colored Metals, under the jurisdiction of the Serbian Ministry of Mining, has charge of the administration and operational management of the foundry. Engineer Kostic is the chief of this directorate, and Radko Bojovic is his assistant. Establishments auxiliary to this enterprise are the coal mine and foundry in Krupanj and the lignite mine at Bela Crkva.

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